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TITLE OF INVENTION: LIGHT-EMITTING THYRISTOR MATRIX ARRAY AND DRIVER CIRCUIT

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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Effective October 1, 2003, 37 CFR 1.18 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) through (c) to read as set forth below.

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